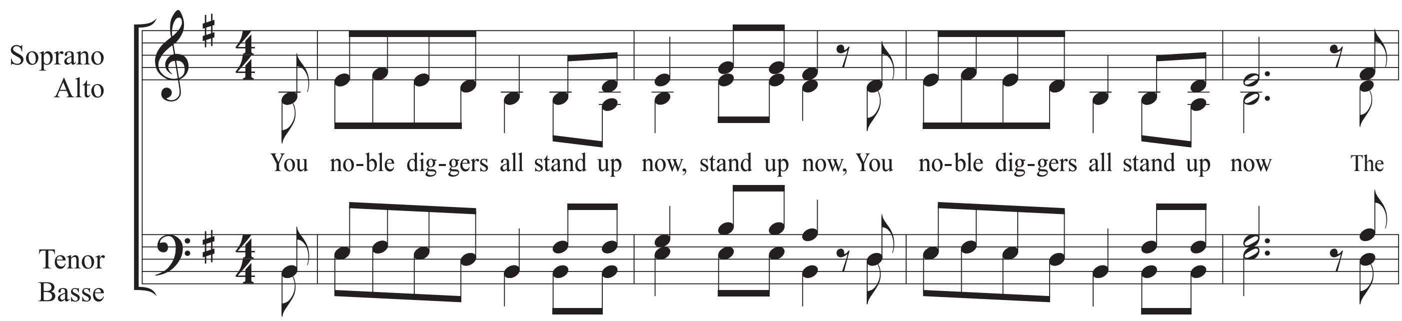
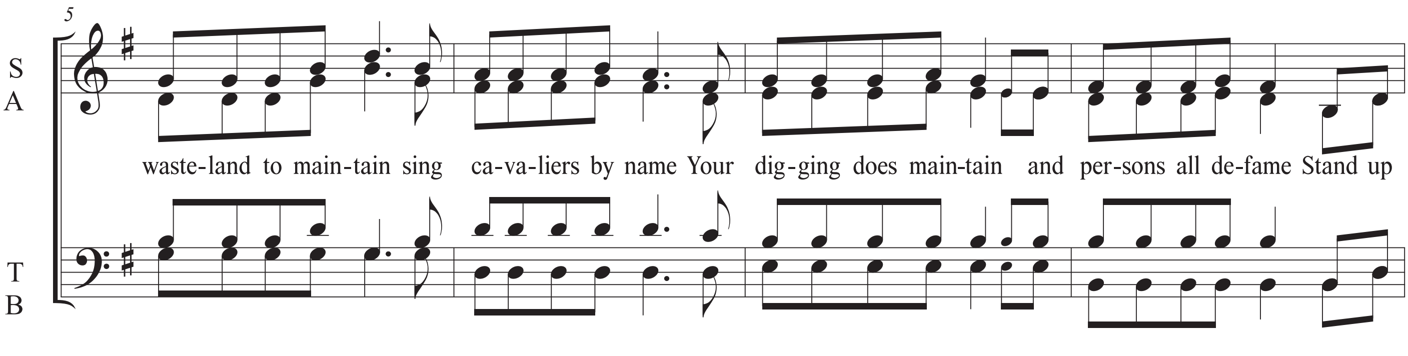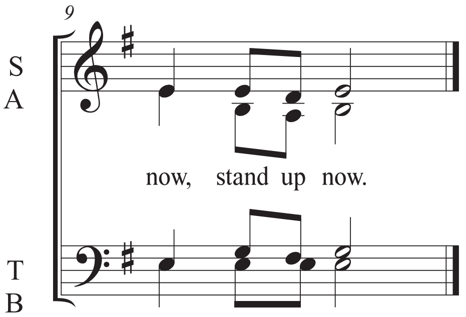
The Diggers' Song

Levellers and Diggers

Gerrard Winstanley
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1. You noble diggers all stand up now, stand up now
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The wasteland to maintain sing cavaliers by name
Your digging does maintain and persons all_ defame
Stand up now, stand up now

2. Your houses they pull down, stand up now...
Your houses they pull down to fright your men in town
But the gentry must come down and the poor shall wear_ the crown
Stand up now diggers all

3. With spades and hoes and ploughs, stand up now...
Your freedom to uphold sing cavaliers are bold
To kill you if they could and rights from you_ to hold
Stand up now diggers all

4. The gentry are all round, stand up now...
The gentry are all round on each side the are found
Their wisdom so profound to cheat us of our ground
Stand up now stand up now

5. The lawyers they conjoin, stand up now...
To rescue they advise, such fury they_ devise,
The devil in them lies and hath blinded both their eyes
Stand up now, stand up now